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of Education, Library Trustees and Town Clerk,

OF THE

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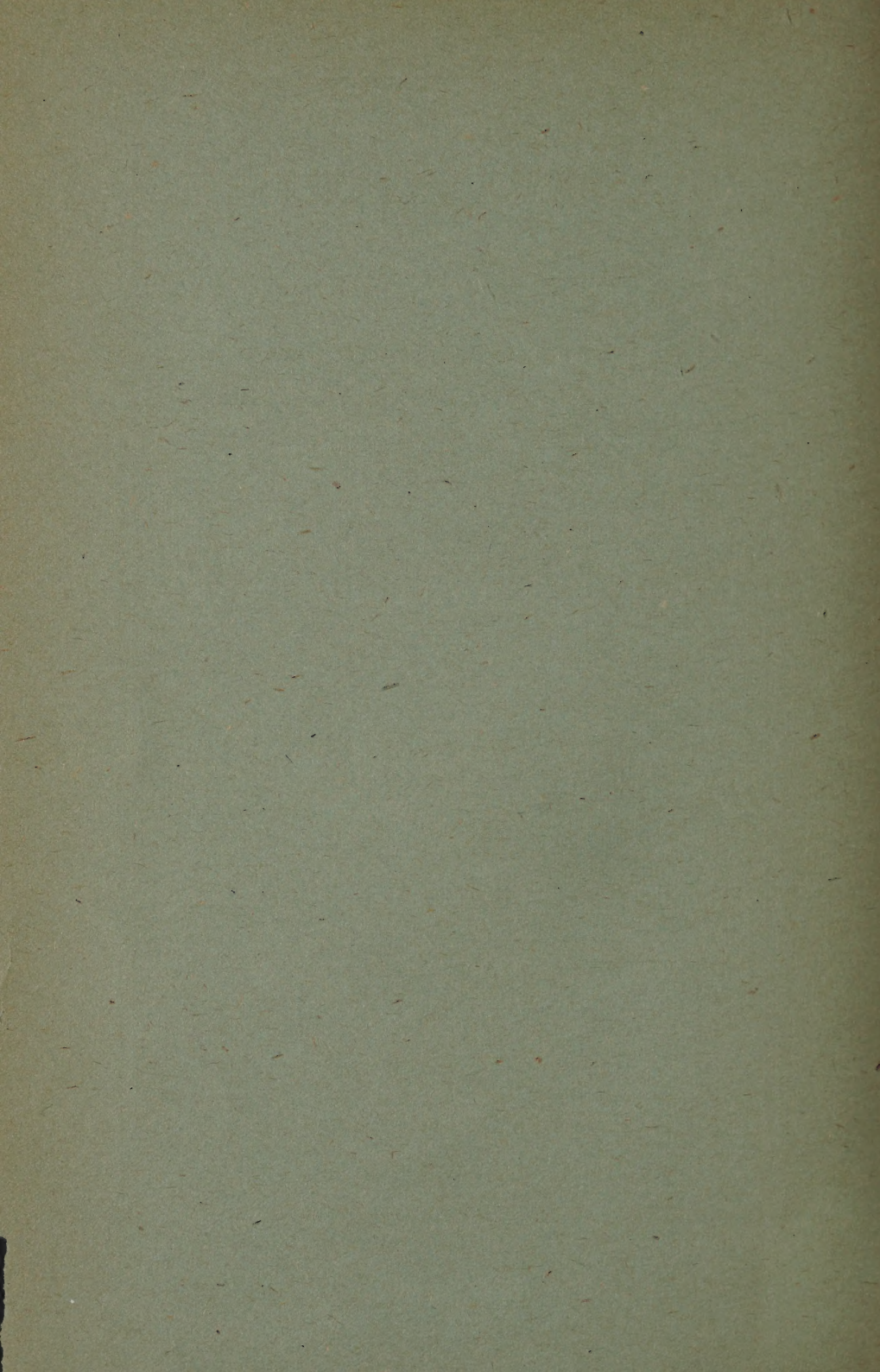
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{ L. S. }

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Newington qualified to vote in town affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

ARTICLE 1. To choose Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Superintendent of the Burying Ground, Janitor of the Town Hall, Auditors, Highway Agents and a Library Trustee for three years.

ARTICLE 2. To choose Measurers of Wood, Surveyors of Lumber, Fence Viewers, Pound Keeper, Fish and Game Wardens, Police Officers, and all other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE 3. To see what sum of money the town will raise for town expenses.

ARTICLE 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the repairs of highways and bridges.

ARTICLE 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library.

ARTICLE 6. To see what disposition the town will make of the town's land and buildings.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to cut wood on the town's land for the use of schools, hall, library, poor and meetings.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of ten dollars, to help the G. A. R. decorate the soldiers' and sailors' graves Memorial Day.

Given under our hands and seal this nineteenth day of February, 1910

IRA A. COLEMAN,	} Selectmen of Newington
R. H. PICKERING,	
V. M. COLEMAN,	

A true copy of Warrant, attest :

IRA A. COLEMAN,	} Selectmen of Newington.
R. H. PICKERING,	
V. M. COLEMAN,	

List of Town Officers

Elected March, 1909.

Town Clerk, JACKSON M. HOYT.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, IRA A. COLEMAN,
ROBERT H. PICKERING, VALENTINE M. COLEMAN.

Treasurer, JOHN J. GREENOUGH.

Collector of Taxes, JAMES W. COLEMAN.

Highway Agents, WILLIAM D. NEWICK, ALBERT H. GARLAND,
ENOCH COLEMAN, (deceased,) JAMES W. COLEMAN, (appointed.)

Superintendent of Burying Grounds, ENOCH COLEMAN, (de-
ceased,) JACKSON M. HOYT, (appointed.)

Janitor of Town Hall, LUTHER C. PICKERING.

Auditors, FREDERICK PICKERING, WILLIAM L. FURBER.

Library Trustees, BETH L. RAND, three years; LAURA E. DREW,
two years; LAURA E. FRINK, one year.

Elected November, 1908.

Moderator, FREDERICK PICKERING.

Supervisors of the Check Lists, ALBERT E. HODGDON, STILLMAN
A. PACKARD, WILLIAM T. BROWN.

Summary of Inventory.

	No.	Valuation.
Polls,	81	\$8,100 00
Land and buildings,		183,690 00
Horses,	110	7,655 00
Cows,	412	10,300 00
Neat stock,	34	510 00
Sheep,	7	21 00
Carriages and automobiles		900 00
Boats and launches,		2,300 00
Bank stock,		200 00
Money at interest,		7,600 00
Machines, machinery,		1,150 00
Stock in trade, wood and lumber,		1,900 00

Total valuation,	\$226,126 00
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No. acres in town, 4825

Amount committed to collector,	\$4,092 98
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Rate per cent., \$1.81 on one hundred dollars

ABATEMENTS.

Ann S. Frink, over valued,	\$1 81
Abbie N. and Mary Frink, over valued,	4 26
Ruby S. Frink, over valued,	3 35
Joseph Mott, over valued,	2 72
Heirs John A. Pickering, over valued,	63
J. E. Downing,	7 51
Charles H. Allard, deceased, taxes for 1908 and 1909,	3 52
Alexander Green, left town,	1 81
Stephen Dixon, left town, 1908,	1 71
Herbert R. Pickering, left town,	1 81
Margaret E. Pickering, live stock burned,	8 51
Five per cent. discount on taxes paid on or before Oct. 1, 1909,	132 20

\$169 84

Selectmen's Report.

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

State tax,	\$880 00
County tax,	759 62
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	\$1,639 62

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount raised as per estimate of school board,	\$1,477 00
Dog money on hand April 1, 1909,	79 00
Literary fund,	37 20
Proportion of school fund,	125 00
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	\$1,718 20

ORDERS ISSUED ON THE TREASURER BY THE SELECTMEN.

No. 1, Charles A. Hodgdon, cutting 13 cords of wood,	\$13 00
2, C. M. deRochemont, attendance on J. E. Downing, Bean tax matter, brown tail moth matter,	4 40
3, Fred C. Carlin, removing brown tail moth nests,	100 00
4, John D. Randall, printing town reports, 1909,	35 00
5, John E. Milton & Co., supplies furnished A. F. Durgin,	52 00
6, Ralph Coleman, hauling 13 cords of wood for town purposes and one cord for J. E. Downing,	7 50

No. 7, Fred E. Carkin, removing brown tail moth nests,	\$200 00
8, J. H. Knox, high school tuition, spring term,	24 00
9, Fred C. Carkin, removing brown tail moth nests,	100 00
10, Abbie N. Frink, high school tuition, spring term,	12 00
11, Thos. E. Prior, high school tuition, spring term,	12 00
12, Thos. E. Prior, services as election inspector, Nov. 1908,	2 00
13, Mary W. Pickering, high school tuition, spring term,	12 00
14, Alexander Archibald, high school tuition, spring term,	12 00
15, Herbert E. Hodgdon, high school tuition, spring term,	24 00
16, Library Trustees, part of library appropriation,	50 00
17, Roscoe T. Harden, high school tuition, spring term,	12 00
18, Fred C. Carkin, removing brown tail moth nests,	98 00
19, Storer Post, No. 1, G. A. R., decorating graves,	10 00
20, William T. Brown, services as supervisor of check list, March, 1909,	5 00
21, Treasurer of School Board, part of school appropriation,	100 00
22, John E. Milton & Co., supplies furnished A. F. Durgin,	42 00
23, Treasurer of School Board, part of school appropriation,	200 00
24, Albert H. Garland, pipe and cement for culvert,	35 00

No. 25, Treasurer of School Board, part of school appropriation,	\$400 00
26, Library Trustees, balance of library appropriation,	75 00
27, Valentine M. Coleman, coal and wood furnished J. E. Downing,	16 39
28, William D. Newick, part of highway appropriation,	100 00
29, Albert H. Garland, part of highway appropriation,	100 00
30, James W. Coleman, part of highway appropriation,	100 00
31, Times Publishing Co., advertising for removal of brown tail moth nests,	2 50
32, George R. Palfrey, supplies furnished A. F. Durgin,	24 00
33, Treasurer of School Board, balance of school appropriation,	669 00
34, Hoyt & Dow, tax collector's book,	1 20
35, James W. Coleman, balance of (1-3 part) highway appropriation,	23 83
36, William D. Newick, balance of (1-3 part) highway appropriation,	23 83
37, W. O. Junkins, returning vital statistics	3 25
38, V. M. Coleman, coal furnished J. E. Downing,	17 31
39, L. C. Pickering, sawing 17 cords of wood,	8 50
40, Edson C. Eastman, town order book,	1 62
41, J. M. Hoyt, services as sexton, \$20; superintendent of burying ground, \$10; town clerk, \$15; compiling statistics, stationery and postage, \$2.20; hauling 6 cords of wood to meeting house, \$3; wood for library, \$3,	53 20
42, S. A. Packard, services as supervisor of the checklist,	5 00

No. 43, William T. Brown, 5 hens killed by dog,	\$2 50
44, Mary W. Pickering, 2 hens killed by dog,	1 00
45, Albert H. Garland, part of highway appropriation,	15 00
46, William D. Newick, removing snow from highways,	24 44
47, Cemetery Trustees, interest on DeMerritt fund,	6 00
48, V. M. Coleman, services as selectman, and distributing notices regarding moth nests,	16 50
49, R. H. Pickering, services as selectman,	15 00
50, James W. Coleman, removing snow from highways,	42 90
51, J. J. Greenough, services as town treasurer,	10 00
52, L. C. Beane, services as election inspector, (November, 1908),	2 00
53, E. P. Stoddard, insurance premium on old parsonage house, barn and road machine,	15 00
54, Treasurer of School Board, literary fund, proportion of school fund and dog money,	241 20
55, Albert E. Hodgdon, services as supervisor, and printing of checklist,	7 50
56, Albert H. Garland, removing snow from highways;	97 57
57, Frederick Pickering, services as auditor and moderator,	2 00
58, William L. Furber, services as auditor,	1 00
59, James W. Coleman, services as tax collector, \$40; printing of tax bills, \$1.50; postage, \$1; advertising non-resident taxes, \$4.50,	47 00
60, James W. Coleman, wood furnished J. E. Downing,	4 50
61, I. A. Coleman, services as selectman,	20 00
Total amount of foregoing orders,	<hr/> \$3,357 66

STATE HIGHWAY ORDERS.

No. A 1, Charles A. Hodgdon,	\$12 00
A 2, Willard A. Brown,	8 50
A 3, George Cole,	16 50
A 4, Joseph H. Hoyt,	14 00
A 5, Valentine M. Coleman,	48 20
A 6, William T. Brown,	1 00
A 7, Joseph W. Stopford,	10 00
A 8, L. C. Pickering,	41 50
A 9, Joseph Mott,	31 80
A10, Louis C. Beane,	94 60
A11, Mary W. Pickering,	25 50
A12, J. W. Whidden,	16 50
A13, Walter T. Jones,	45 00
A14, George W. Pickering,	38 50
A15, James W. Coleman,	53 40
A16, F. H. Winn,	28 80
A17, Joseph W. Stopford,	2 00
A18, Cyrus Frink,	53 10
A19, Darius Frink,	30 60
A20, Albert Pickering,	21 60
A21, Lizzie Coleman,	31 50
A22, Ralph Coleman,	6 00
A23, Earl Coleman,	20 00
A24, Chadwick & Trefethen,	3 04
A25, E. J. Rand,	27 90
A26, J. H. Knox,	51 30
A27, A. Archibald,	27 00
A28, Frederick Pickering,	16 20
A29, William C. Laws,	20 00
A30, Harry de Rochemont,	5 00
A31, Muchemore & Rider Co.,	3 06
A32, George A. Trafton,	1 39
A33, E. E. Yeaton,	10 00

No. A34, Edward T. Downing,	\$2 00
Total amount of state highway orders,	\$817 49
Town appropriation for state highway,	\$328 50
Received from state,	488 99
Total amount available,	<u>\$817 49</u>
Total amount of all orders issued,	\$4,175 15
State tax,	880 00
County tax,	759 62
Total amount expended,	<u>\$5,814 77</u>

TOWN TRUST FUNDS.

S. D. F. DeMerritt cemetery trust fund,	\$200 00
Woodbury Langdon library trust fund,	1000 00
	<u>\$1200 00</u>
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910,	\$863 70

The board has to report that the Olive Bean tax, mentioned in last year's report, remains unsettled—the settlement of the estate through insolvency proceedings now pending.

The foregoing is a true statement of the financial affairs of the town for the year ending Feb. 15, 1910.

IRA A. COLEMAN,

R. H. PICKERING,

V. M. COLEMAN,

Selectmen of Newington.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the selectment, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FREDERICK PICKERING, }
WILLIAM L. FURBER, } *Auditors.*

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1909,	\$582 60
Savings bank tax,	758 62
Railroad tax,	333 44
Literary fund,	37 20
Proportion school fund,	125 00
State highway department,	488 99
Junk license,	35 00
Dog license,	62 40
Rent of town house,	38 81
Rent of town pasture,	10 00
Rent of town hall,	9 33
From J. C. Downing,	20 00
From county treasurer,	118 00
From collector of taxes,	3,923 14
From T. H. Dearborn, reimbursement of expenditure on moth work,	135 94
	————\$6,678 47

PAID.

State tax,	\$880 00
County tax,	759 62
Orders of selectmen,	3,357 66
Orders of selectmen, on account of state highway,	817 49
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1910,	863 70
	————\$6,678 47

JOHN J. GREENOUGH,

Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FREDERICK PICKERING,

WILLIAM L. FURBER,

Auditors.

Highways.

REPORT OF JAMES W. COLEMAN, HIGHWAY AGENT.

Received of Town Treasurer, 1-3 of highway appropriation,	\$123 83
Paid Louis C. Beane,	3 60
Valentine M. Coleman,	3 60
Charles W. Coleman,	4 00
Ralph and Earl Coleman,	13 00
James W. Coleman,	30 60
F. W. deRochemont,	1 80
Darius Frink,	8 60
Jackson M. Hoyt,	3 20
Walter T. Jones,	3 60
James H. Knox,	5 40
William C. Laws,	2 40
Albert C. Pickering,	7 80
Luther C. Pickering,	3 20
Amanda Pickering,	7 80
Stillman A. Packard,	5 40
Joseph W. Whidden,	6 10
Boards and stakes for Paul and Packard bridges	2 00
Labor on Paul and Packard bridges,	50
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	\$112 60

The sum of \$112.60 of the highway appropriation remains in the hands of James W. Coleman, to be worked later.

WINTER ACCOUNT TO FEBRUARY 15, 1910.

Paid Louis C. Beane,	\$1 96
Edward F. Brown,	3 92
E. Brown,	48

Paid James W. Coleman,	\$16 03
Charles W. Coleman,	4 83
Ralph Coleman,	1 60
Valentine M. Coleman,	3 58
James H. Coleman,	1 42
Edward T. Downing,	1 12
Benjamin S. Hoyt,	72
Simes Hoyt,	38
James H. Knox,	4 00
Elbridge Knox,	48
William C. Laws,	48
George W. Pickering,	64
Warren Pickering,	40
Elmer Yeaton,	88
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	\$42 92

REPORT OF ALBERT H. GARLAND,
HIGHWAY AGENT.

Paid Joshua B. Pickering,	\$12 60
Darius Frink,	9 00
F. W. de Rochemont,	10 70
John Towle,	8 40
Earl Coleman,	1 60
Thomas Pickering,	3 60
Frederick Pickering,	5 20
Estate of Enoch Coleman,	7 00
Cyrus Frink,	6 70
Luther C. Pickering,	1 60
Roy Neill,	4 80
Harry de Rochemont, use of roller,	1 00
George K. Cole,	3 20
Amanda Pickering,	6 40
Edward Brown,	3 20

Paid George Neill,	\$3 20
J. M. Hoyt,	6 40
A. H. Garland,	20 40
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	\$115 00
Amount of appropriation received,	\$115 00

WINTER ACCOUNT, 1909-10.

Paid Miss A. Pickering,	\$5 25
Miss A. N. Frink,	2 08
Frederick Pickering,	11 46
James Pickering,	1 34
Thomas Pickering,	1 10
Luther Pickering,	11 24
J. B. Pickering,	6 94
J. M. Hoyt,	5 84
Coleman Bros.,	16 92
Harry de Rochemont,	3 12
William Furber,	48
Edward Hawkrige,	6 84
Cyrus Frink,	19 80
Darius Frink,	2 16
A. H. Garland,	3 00
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	\$97 57

REPORT OF WILLIAM D. NEWICK,
HIGHWAY AGENT.

Paid Luther C. Pickering,	\$3 20
Mary W. Pickering,	7 20
Alex. Archibald,	10 80
Charles Allard,	2 60
George Pace,	2 60
J. H. Hoyt,	3 20

Paid Thomas Newick,	\$13 00
Fred Winn,	11 00
John J. Greenough,	10 60
E. J. Rand,	8 80
R. H. Beacham,	3 60
Bert. Parrott,	6 20
J. E. Leavitt,	8 20
Pickering Bros.,	8 80
Daniel Davis,	3 60
W. D. Newick,	11 20

\$115 00

Amount of appropriation received, \$123 83

Balance unexpended, \$8 83

WINTER ACCOUNT, 1909-10.

Paid John J. Greenough	\$6 00
Bert. Parrott,	48
William T. Brown,	1 00
Thomas Newick,	4 00
W. D. Newick,	12 00
Robert Pickering,	96

\$24 44

Report of Trustees of Cemetery.

RECEIVED.

From selectmen, interest on DeMerritt fund,	\$6 00
Portsmouth Savings bank, interest on DeMerritt fund,	93
Portsmouth Savings bank, interest on Caldwell fund,	3 85
Estate of Hannah P. Newton,	100 00
Estate of Mary E. Frink,	55 00
Withdrawn from savings bank on DeMerritt fund, for care of lot,	3 00
Withdrawn from Caldwell fund, for care of lot,	2 00
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	\$170 78

PAID.

Care of DeMerritt and Caldwell lots,	\$5 00
Jackson M. Hoyt, labor in cemetery,	1 00
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	\$6 00

DEMANDS IN FAVOR OF CEMETERY.

DeMerritt fund let to town,	\$200 00
Interest on DeMerritt fund in savings bank,	34 53
Caldwell fund with interest in savings bank,	129 44
Hannah P. Newton fund in savings bank,	100 00
Mary E. Frink fund in savings bank,	55 00
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	\$518 97

JAMES W. COLEMAN,
FREDERICK PICKERING,
BENJAMIN S. HOYT,

Trustees of Cemetery.

Insurance on Town's Property.

The policies on the town hall, schoolhouse and meeting-house, expire January 1, 1911.

The policy on the public library and books expires March 15, 1911.

The policy on the old parsonage house, barn and road machine, expires January 1, 1913.

Dog Account, 1909-10.

Number of dogs licensed, 28.

4 females, at \$5,	\$20 00	
3 spayed females, at \$2,	6 00	
21 males, at \$2,	42 00	
	—————	\$68 00
Clerk's fees, twenty cents each,		5 60
		—————
		\$62 40

BILLS PAID.

Mary W. Pickering, 2 hens,	\$1 00	
William T. Brown, 5 hens,	2 50	
	—————	\$3 50
		—————
Amount of dog money on hand,		\$58 90

School Report.

We herewith submit the annual report of the Newington School Board for the year ending July 15, 1909.

The schools have been under the charge of the same teachers this year as last, Miss Sara B. Luscombe having had charge of the grammar room, and Miss Gertrude E. Bean having charge of the primary room, Miss Luscombe having charge of the music in both rooms, and Miss Bean having charge of the penmanship and drawing in both rooms, and the pupils have made fine progress in all branches.

The number of scholars enrolled has been one less than last year, but the average attendance has been three per cent. greater.

A class of five passed the examination for the Portsmouth high school.

Mr. O. H. Adams, of Leicester, Mass., who was elected superintendent at the beginning of the school year for the supervisory district, including the towns of North Hampton, Greenland, Durham and Newington, has done excellent service in that position, we think, and has been engaged for another year.

We recommend to the selectmen that they raise \$500.00 for high school tuition, and \$100.00 for school supplies for the coming year.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE NEWINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

For the Year Ending July 15, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

1908.

July 15, Cash on hand,	\$102 73
School money required by law,	870 00
Dog tax on hand April 1,	76 00
Literary fund,	37 17
From state on account of super- intendent, '	100 00
Tuition Pace child,	7 50
	—————\$1,193 40

EXPENDITURES.

Miss Bean, teaching 26 weeks,	\$312 00
Miss Luscombe, teaching 26 weeks, -	312 00
Mr. Adams, superintendent, 7 months' salary,	140 00
Janitor, 26 weeks,	26 00
Mrs. McKenzie, cleaning schoolrooms,	8 50
Freight and express,	2 25
Supplies and repairs,	8 31
J. M. Hoyt, labor,	3 00
Albert H. Garland, labor,	2 00
Frederick Pickering, treasurer,	2 00
Mary E. Frink, clerk,	2 00
J. H. Hummell & Co., supplies,	8 65
Miss Bean, teaching spring term,	144 00
Miss Luscombe, teaching spring term,	144 00
Mr. Adams, 3 months' salary,	60 00

Albert Pickering, janitor,	\$12 00
Supplies,	5 13
	<hr/> \$1,191 84
Cash on hand July 15, 1909,	<hr/> \$1 56

FREDERICK PICKERING,
 ROSAMOND PACKARD,
 WILLIAM L. FURBER,

School Board.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Newington School Board, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

BENJAMIN S. HOYT,

Auditor.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Board of Newington:—

I herewith submit my second annual report of the work in your schools. The table, accompanying this report, will give such statistical information as is usually required. The town has been fortunate in its teaching force. The policy of paying fair salaries so that good teachers may be retained has been followed so that for two years, previous to June, there was no change. Miss Luscombe resigned to be married in the summer and her place was filled by Miss Evans, a recent graduate of Salem normal school, who is filling the position most acceptably. Our graduates who enter the Portsmouth high school have a high record and compare favorably with the graduates from schools where good teachers are not retained. Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the continuation of a regular, systematic, progressive policy in fitting the children in the schools either for admission to a higher school or in preparing them to go into the world direct from the grammar school. Newington has been among the progressive towns in providing for music in the schools, sometimes with excellent results, sometimes not. This year, Miss Evans has the music in both rooms and with the introduction of new interest and greatly improved methods, the children are having an opportunity equal to that in many of the larger and more closely graded systems of schools.

The eye test, provided for by law, has been given by the superintendent and has called attention to several cases of defective vision. Where the trouble is serious or likely to become so, the parents have been notified and advised to consult an oculist. The authority of the superintendent ends here. He can only advise parents of weakness found by the

tests used, and advise consultation with the professional. Children's eyes are precious and serious trouble may follow when a suspected defect is not looked after.

The primary reading spoken of in my last report as being placed on a better footing, has progressed most favorably. Much credit is due the primary teacher for the enthusiasm she has shown in developing the work. The improvement in reading in the three lower grades is noticeable. To one who has followed the development of methods in primary reading for the past ten or more years, the superiority of present work is apparent. Children are taught to read better in six months now than was formerly true in two years. A recent visit of the superintendent to a school system that still clings to the "a-b-c" method, where children at the end of the second year in school were still working away at the alphabet and could not read the most simple sentences was a revelation of the passing of the old and the coming of the new in our schools.

The expense for books and supplies, this year, has been kept at a minimum because of increased cost in other directions so that less than half the amount usually expended has been used. A school system can stand such economy for a single year but it is poor economy to continue the policy. The reading list, as well as books in other lines will soon need a thorough revision, old books discarded and either replaced by new of the same kind or in other lines. The full allowance of \$2.00 per pupil will be none too much for this work because of present needs. The school laws of 1909, touching on this need of the schools, are in entire sympathy with the furnishing of all needed material for the schools. The school board is also in complete sympathy with the policy of keeping the stock on hand as complete as conditions will justify.

The need of additional room for the primary room is as great as was when spoken of last year. What is needed in Newington is for some public spirited present or former cit-

izen to erect for the town a four room building with modern improvements. Two could be used for the schools and the upper floor reserved for future needs or used for general school exercises and gatherings.

The superintendent cannot speak too highly of the un-failing courtesy and support he has received from school board, teachers, pupils and citizens. The year has been a happy as well, we believe, a prosperous one in the schools largely because of the splendid disposition to help and help intelligently. Any measure of success is largely due to co-operation of teachers and school board.

When good, efficient, intelligent men and women are found on a school board, it is a loss of energy, of power, of service not to retain them. Others may be as good after one or more years, but there is a loss to a school system with frequent changes in a school board as well as in the teaching force.

My thanks are due to all for most hearty and cordial support throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

O. H. ADAMS,

Superintendent of Schools.

February 10, 1910.

SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1908-1909.

	Grammar.	Primary.	
Number of pupils registered,			50
Boys,	11	14	
Girls,	16	9	
Average membership,	22	23	45
Average attendance,	20	19	39
Per cent. of attendance	90.9	82.6	86.7
Number of pupils with perfect attendance,	1	3	4
Salary of teachers per month,	\$48	\$48	

Number of school weeks,	38
Number of visits by school board,	35
Number of visits by citizens,	105
Number of visits by superintendent,	71
Total available school money,	\$1,193 40
Average expense per pupil,	\$23 83

SCHOOL BOARD, 1909-1910.

Frederick Pickering, *Chairman*.
 Mrs. Rosamond Packard, *Secretary*.
 William L. Furber.

TEACHERS, 1908-1909.

Grammar School, Sara B. Luscombe.
Primary School, Gertrude E. Bean.

1909-1910.

Grammar School, Mae A. Evans.
Primary School, Gertrude E. Bean.
Superintendent of Schools, 1909-1910, O. H. Adams.

Langdon Public Library.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

To the Citizens of Newington:—

The trustees of Langdon Library herewith submit the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1909.

The librarian's report shows that the value of the library to the town is fully realized and appreciated by the people. Its educational worth to the boys and girls, as well as to the older people, cannot be overestimated.

It was the wish of the trustees to put the card catalogue in use during the year, but owing to repairs on the chimney, and other necessary expenditures, the funds requisite for this purpose were lacking. We hope, however, that this may be accomplished during the coming year.

Last March the library was the recipient of a very generous gift from Mr. Benjamin F. Webster, of Portsmouth, the nature and purpose of which is explained by the donor in the following statement:—

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., March 25, 1909.

I hereby freely give to the Public Library of Newington, N. H., five hundred dollars, to be held in trust by the trustees of that institution, the interest only to be used in the purchase of books of history, biography, and books of useful information. (No books of fiction.)

BENJAMIN F. WEBSTER.

Mr. Webster surely has the sincere gratitude of all the people of Newington for his generosity.

This year, as in years past, Mrs. Langdon has very liberally donated books, her last gift consisting of ninety-eight volumes. To her, and to all others who have shown their

interest in the library by gifts or in any other way, we extend our thanks.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1908,	\$29 71
Interest on Langdon fund,	60 00
Interest on Portsmouth city bond,	20 00
Required state tax,	15 00
Town appropriation,	50 00
Fines collected,	2 22
	<hr/> \$176 93

EXPENDITURES.

Librarian's services,	\$75 00
Subscription agency,	19 90
1000 labels,	2 00
Material and labor on chimney,	21 50
Margeson Bros., window shades,	12 40
J. G. Sweetser, cleaning furnace,	2 16
Box rent,	2 00
Cleaning library,	1 95
Mowing lawn,	1 25
Freight, express and stamps,	1 43
Library supplies,	8 06
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1909,	29 28
	<hr/> \$176 93

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. FRINK,
LAURA E. DREW,
BETH H. RAND,

Board of Trustees.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

As librarian of Langdon Library, I take pleasure in presenting the following report of the work for the year ending Dec. 31, 1909.

While our present system of distributing books is fairly satisfactory, we feel that the card catalogue would simplify the library work very much.

The gift of ninety-eight volumes from Mrs. Langdon was much appreciated by all; the constant use of these volumes has proved that they have accomplished the generous purpose of the giver in affording enjoyment to the people of Newington.

Mrs. C. H. Coleman has each week given or loaned specimens that have added greatly to our nature study.

Magazines have been given in goodly numbers; for these and the above mentioned gifts sincere thanks are extended.

Langdon Library is open Saturday afternoon and evening. We wish that the public would improve this time and make use of our fine collection of books.

GIFTS.

Mrs. Woodbury Langdon,	98 volumes
Mrs. H. R. Bailey and Mrs. Fowler,	2 volumes
Hon. Frank W. Hackett,	1 volume
Dr. Herbert R. Pickering,	1 volume
Dr. B. T. Prescott,	magazines
Mrs. William Peverly,	magazines
Mrs. C. H. Coleman, Designer Magazine,	1 year
Mrs. E. G. Hoyt, Success Magazine,	1 year
Mrs. E. G. Hoyt, Good Housekeeping Magazine.	
Mrs. Frank Whidden, Mothers' Magazine,	1 year
Mr. F. W. de Rochemont, Farm Journal,	1 year
Shakespeare Club, Outing Magazine,	1 year
Piscataqua Grange, New England Magazine,	1 year
Reapers' Circle, Ladies' Home Journal,	1 year

W. C. T. U., Crusader Monthly,	1 year
W. C. T. U., Granite State Outlook,	1 year
Rev. Samuel Eliot, Christian Register,	1 year
Supt. Morrison, New Hampshire School Report.	
Report and Bulletins of Dover Library.	
Report, Town of Newfields.	
Report, City of Laconia.	
29th Report of Trustees of New Hampshire College.	
Report, Smithsonian Institution.	
Report, Interstate Commerce Commission.	

LOANED BY V. M. COLEMAN.

Report, Town of Rye, N. H.
Report, Town of Durham, N. H.
Report, Town of Strafford, N. H.
Report, Town of Newmarket, N. H.
Report, Town of Stratham, N. H.
Report, Town of Eliot, Me.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Borrowers registered to date,	587
Visitors registered to date (45 during year),	1,062
Total attendance for year,	1,457
Average daily attendance for year,	28
Total circulation for year,	3,517
Average daily circulation for year,	48
Number of afternoons open for circulation,	51
Number of evenings open for circulation,	50
Number of books issued during year,	2,159
Number of periodicals issued during year,	1,358
Largest monthly issue, October.	
Smallest monthly issue, December.	

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

American History,	88
American Biography,	56
Foreign History,	40

Foreign Biography,	36
Travel,	135
Arts and Science,	123
Drama and Poetry,	41
Literature,	37
Religion,	13
Reference,	2
Reports,	4
Bound Periodicals,	83
Fiction,	1,358
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	2,159

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE LOUISE BEANE,

Librarian.

Supplement to Catalogue.

JANUARY, 1909.

Periodicals Regularly Supplied to Reading Table.

Harper's Monthly, Harper's Weekly, New England, Munsey, Everybody's, Travel, Garden, Success, World's Work, Granite State Monthly, Outing, Good Housekeeping, Modern Priscilla, St. Nicholas, Little Folks, Youth's Companion, Delineator, Designer, Ladies' Home Journal, Granite State Outlook, Crusader Monthly, Public Library, Federation Bulletin, Farm Journal, Christian Register, Mother's Magazine.

AMERICAN HISTORY.

Bell, C. H.	History of Exeter, N. H.,	40.171
	Three Years Behind the Guns,	40.172

AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY.

Beale, H. S. B.	Letters of Mrs. James G. Blaine, Vol. I,	60.143
Beale, H. S. B.	Letters of Mrs. James G. Blaine, Vol. II,	60.144
Greenslet F.	Life of Thomas Bailey Aldrich,	60.145
Grey, Zane.	The Last of the Plainsmen,	60.146
Nicolay, H.	The Boy's Life of Lincoln,	60.147
Palmer, G. H.	The Life of Alice Freeman Palmer,	60.148

FOREIGN HISTORY.

Singleton, E.	Historic Buildings,	30.209
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TRAVEL.

Higginson, E.	Alaska,	20.263
James, G. W.	Through Ramona's Country,	20.264
Johnson, C.	Highways and Byways of the Pacific Coast,	20.265
Kelley, R. T.	Peeps at Many Lands, Burma,	20.256
Abbot, J. H. M.	Peeps at Many Lands, South Seas,	20.257
Finnemore, J.	Peeps at Many Lands, England,	20.258
Finnemore, J.	Peeps at Many Lands, Holy Land,	20.259
Finnemore, J.	Peeps at Many Lands, Morocco,	20.260
Finnemore, J.	Peeps at Many Lands, Switzerland,	20.261
Young, E.	Peeps at Many Lands, Siam,	20.262
Monroe, W. S.	In Viking Land,	20.266

Morse, Edith. Unofficial Letters of an Official's Wife,	20.267
Ruhl, Arthur. The Other Americans,	20.268
Waller, M. W. Through the Gates of the Netherlands,	20.269
Wallace, D. The Lure of the Labrador Wild,	20.270
Wade, M. H. New Little Americans,	20.271
Waterfield, A. Home Life in Italy,	20.272
Peary, R. Snowland Folks,	20.273

SCIENCE.

—————. Harper's Indoor Book for Boys,	50.353
Bacon, D. Pictures Every Child Should Know,	50.354
Bailey, L. H. The Pruning Book,	50.355
Bailey, L. H. The State and the Farmer,	50.356
Carpenter, F. C. How the World is Clothed,	50.357
Downes, W. H. Twelve Greatest Artists,	50.358
Fagan, J. O. Confessions of a Signalman,	50.395
Holtz, F. L. Nature Study,	50.360
Johnson, G. E. Education by Plays and Games,	50.361
Kingsley, R. G. Roses and Rose Growing,	50.362
Marriott, C. Uncle Sam's Business,	50.363
McIsaac, I. Hygiene for Nurses,	50.364
Rogers, J. E. The Shell Book,	50.365
Schauffler, R. H. Christmas,	50.366
Schauffler, R. H. Thanksgiving,	50.367
Welles, H. G. New Worlds for Old,	50.368
White, S. E. Camp and Trail,	50.369

FICTION.

Andrews, M. R. S. The Perfect Tribute.	19 A 2
Bindloss, H. By Right of Purchase,	36 B 1
Booth, E. C. The Post Girl,	37 B 1
Phillips, D. G. Joshua Craig,	33 C 1
Day, Holman. King Spruce,	23 D 3
De Morgan, W. Alice-for-Short,	26 D 1
Deland, E. D. Miss Betty of New York,	25 D 2
Dudley, A. T. The Yale Cup,	24 D 6
Duncan, N. Every Man for Himself,	22 D 4
Grayson, D. Adventures in Contentment,	14 G 1
Hope, A. The Great Miss Driver,	21 H 4
Howard, B. M. One Summer,	32 H 1
Humphrey, Z. Over Against Green Peak,	33 H 1
Jacobs, W. W. Salthaven,	8 J 1
Jackson, G. E. Three Little Women,	9 J 1

Kennedy, C. R. The Servant in the House,	13 K 1
Kinkaid, M. H. The Man of Yesterday,	12 K 1
Lee, Jeanette. Simoen Tetlow's Shadow,	17 L 2
Lincoln, J. C. Cy Whittaker's Place,	14 L 5
Little, Frances. The Lady of the Decoration,	18 L 1
Locke, W. J. Septimus,	19 L 1
Major, C. Uncle Tom Andy Bill,	13 M 2
McClung, M. L. Sowing Seeds in Danny,	33 M 1
Montgomery, L. M. Anne of Green Gables,	34 M 1
Nicholson, M. Little Brown Jug of Kildare,	3 N 2
O'Higgins, H. J. The Grand Army Man,	6 O 1
Ollivant, A. The Gentleman,	2 O 2
de la Pasture, Mrs. The Unlucky Family,	17 P 3
Pier, Arthur. The New Boy,	14 P 2
Porter, G. S. At the Foot of the Rainbow,	18 P 1
Rankin, C. W. The Adopting of Rosa Marie,	14 R 2
Ray, A. C. The Bridge Builders,	10 R 11
Ray, A. C. Sidney at College,	10 R 12
Richards, L. E. The Wooing of Calvin Packs,	7 R 18
Robins, E. The Convert,	17 R 2
Tarkington, B. The Guest of Quesnay,	13 T 3
Tomlinson, E. T. Mad Anthony's Young Scout,	10 T 8
Trowbridge, J. The Wireless Telegraph Boy,	20 T 1
Wade, M. Betty Wales, B. A.,	35 W 5
Warner, A. An Original Gentleman,	31 W 3
Webster, Jean. Much Ado About Peter,	28 W 3
Wells, C. Patty's Friends,	34 W 6
Wesselhoeft, L. F. Rover, the Farm Dog,	22 W 3
White, S. E. The Riverman,	25 W 7
Wiggin, K. D. Tales of Laughter,	2 W 14
Wright, M. O. The Woman Errant,	13 W 7
Wright, M. O. At the Sign of the Fox,	13 W 8
Wright, M. O. The Garden, You and I,	13 W 9
Wright, M. O. The Open Window,	13 W 10

LITERATURE.

Kellar, Helen. The World I Live In,	90.176
Torrey, Bradford. Friends on the Shelf,	90.175

RELIGION.

Lagerlof, S. Christ Legends,	100.38
Milton. The Son of God and Holy Spirit,	100.39
Boston's Awakening,	100.40

REPORTS.

New Hampshire Annual Reports, Vols. I to V.
Journal New Hampshire, Senate and House.
Annual Report Smithsonian Institution.
Annual Report Interstate Commerce Commission.
New Hampshire Manual for the General Court, No. 11.

Vital Statistics of the Town of Newington, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1909

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Condition	Number	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color Parents	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
February 4	Newington	Blanch Hortense	F	L	7	w	Roscoe T. Harden	Martha B. Hoyt	w	Newington	Farmer	Lynn, Mass.	Newington
August 30	Newington	Mary Annie	F	L	2	w	Alexander McLeod	Margaret MacAskill	w	Newington	Farmer	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia

MARRIAGES

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	No. marriage	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married
June 16	Portsmouth	James H. Coleman	Newington	28	w	Blacksmith	Newington	Valentine M. Coleman	Newington	Farmer	1	Alfred Gooding, Clergyman Portsmouth
		Helen F. Varrell	Portsmouth	20	w	Clerk	Rye	Corinne Hoyt Charles T. Varrell Lillian L. Bethick	Portsmouth Bath, Me. Glascow, P. E. I.	Housewife Electrician Housewife	1	

DEATHS

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex	Color	W	Occupation	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Disease or Cause of Death	Occupation of Father
			Years	Months	Days											
January 13	Newington	Elizabeth J. Peverly	80	1	14	Newington	F	w	S	Housekeeper	Newington	Newington	Kinsman Peverly	Harriet Nutter	Old age	Boiler Maker
February 5	Newington	Elizabeth Stopford	70			Stockport, Eng	F	w	S		England	England	Samuel Stopford	Harriet Ogden	Acute bronchitis	
April 14	Portsmouth	Enoch Coleman	52	11	9	Newington	M	w	M	Farmer	Newington	Dover	Enoch T. Coleman	Abbie H. Gray	Sarcoma of bowel	Carpenter
February 11	Body found May 29	George H. Caswell	40		8	Rye, N. H.	M	w	S	Carpenter	Rye	Rye	Warren Caswell	Mary E. Berry	Accidental drowning	Farmer
November 6	Newington	Charles H. Allard	53	11	14	Newington	M	w	M	Farmer	Newington		Isaiah H. Allard	Almira Cate	Disease of heart	Laborer

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

JACKSON M. HOYT, *Town Clerk.*

